Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 19 May 2022 until 23:59 on Friday 20 May 2022

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 18 May 2022 at 17:24 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for Thursday and Friday. Low for extent of showers or longer spells of rain over the weekend.

Headline for Thursday 19 May 2022: Mostly cloudy with scattered showers, windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 19 May 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Fog	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Heavy rain showers	Heavy rain showers	Light rain showers	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
30%	10%	10%	20%	30%	30%	30%	10%

Forecast for Thursday 19 May 2022

Weather: Heavy rain soon clearing away after midnight to leave the rest of the night dry with clear periods. The morning will be mainly dry with sunny periods, although a few showers will develop along the west coast later. The afternoon will see more in the way of cloud with a few showers, these most frequent across the west.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 50%, best chance of cloud free summits across Caithness and Easter Ross. Cloud lowering to 700 to 900 metres across western ranges, this most extensive along the west coast.

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility outside of cloud with great air clarity. Areas of cloud down to 700 to 900 across western ranges, this most extensive along the west coast.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	41/49 S	45/54 SW	41/49 SW	39/49 SW	41/51 SW	41/50 SW	36/45 S	36/44 S	35/43 S
900	37/45 S	43/53 SW	38/47 SW	37/47 SW	39/49 SW	38/48 SW	34/42 S	34/42 S	32/40 S
600	26/34 S	30/39 SW	28/37 SW	28/38 SW	28/38 S	28/38 SW	24/32 S	22/31 S	20/29 S
300	6/32 S	10/37 SW	9/34 SW	10/35 SW	10/36 SW	10/36 SW	7/31 S	5/27 S	4/26 S
Glen	13/29 S	12/26 SW	15/29 SW	16/32 S	16/32 S	15/30 SW	12/26 S	10/25 S	10/25 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	3/-5	3/-6	3/-5	4/-4	4/-3	5/-2	6/-0	5/-1	5/-2
900	4/-3	4/-4	4/-4	4/-3	5/-1	6/-0	7/1	6/0	5/-1
600	6/1	6/0	6/0	7/2	8/2	9/4	9/5	9/5	8/4
300	9/7	8/6	8/6	10/8	10/8	12/10	12/11	11/10	10/9
Glen	11/8	10/8	11/8	12/9	12/9	14/11	14/12	13/11	12/10
Freezing Level*	1500m	1300m	1500m	1700m	1900m	1800m	1800m	1700m	1700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Strong winds at height will lead to notable wind chill on Thursday, especially under cloud cover.

Forecast for Friday 20 May 2022
Weather: A mainly dry morning with some hazy sunshine. Thickening cloud will bring widespread rain for a time in the afternoon, some of this heavy and drenching in the strong winds. Drier and brighter weather with the odd shower following on from the west from late afternoon.

Maximum wind: Southerly average speeds around 20 to 30 mph, gusts 40 mph on summits

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 50%, best chance later in the afternoon and evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Some patchy cloud around 700 metres on southern upslopes in the morning across the southwest. Then more extensive low cloud in the afternoon as rain arrives, cloud down to 700 metres across western ranges shrouding the tops. Cloud lifting off the hills as it turns drier from late afternoon.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 rising to 16 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 6 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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